

country gathered at this beautiful venue located on the Detroit River off of Jefferson Avenue in the City of Detroit. Governors, mayors, local officials, celebrities, business leaders and community members looked forward to the occasions being feted or the evening out. When first founded, it was a happening place, and its path would follow the peaks and valleys that the region itself has experienced over the years.

The Roostertail has witnessed the history of the region and has been the scene of many firsts, including the opening night for the Supremes and Bobby Darin. The venue has also hosted many of the greats over the years such as Tony Bennett, Eric Clapton, The Rolling Stones, and Aretha Franklin. From the beginning, everyone was welcome through their doors, and they gave a helping hand to many who just needed someone to care or believe. In the 60's, when the Motown sound was just beginning, they created Motown Mondays which starred the Temptations, Marvalettes, Stevie Wonder, Diana Ross, Martha Reeves, Marvin Gaye, Smokey Robinson and the Spinners among many others. Tom and Diane helped to break down barriers during the civil rights era, making it clear there was always a place there for those who needed it and providing the platform for those who needed a simple break.

Tom and Diane Schoenith, the owners of the Roostertail, have lived through the ups and downs of Detroit and Southeast Michigan and never doubted, gave up or quit. Whether it was the riots, recession, or bankruptcy, or the rise of Motown, Motor City, and the ebbs and flows of the American middle class, they have witnessed it all. After the Detroit Riots in 1968, people were afraid to come into downtown Detroit. Tom and Diane knew they had to help bring them back and bring their customer base back as well. They organized parties with performers everyone knew and drew people back. The young people came—and others followed.

Beyond the memories and moments of the Roostertail itself, Tom and Diane have also planned and led many events and parties over the years. Many were colorful, vibrant and flashy—unique and one of a kind. Tom and Diane have been the first call for many of the most prominent non-profits and cultural institutions in Metro Detroit, helping the DIA, WTVS, the Children's Hospital of Michigan, the Detroit Symphony Opera, Gleaners, the Salvation Army, and the NAACP. These groups and more owe a thank you to Tom and Diane for their creativity, memory creating events and dedication to our community over the years.

Tom is a member of Detroit's Schoenith family, well known for decades for being successful, interesting and sometimes controversial. His twin Jerry is well known for American boat racing with hydroplanes. Together—they are a part of Michigan's unique history.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today in honoring Tom and Diane Schoenith and the Roostertail as they celebrate this evening. It is my sincere hope that they will continue to bring smiles for many years to come.

## CELEBRATING GENENTECH'S 40TH ANNIVERSARY

**HON. JACKIE SPEIER**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 12, 2016*

Ms. SPEIER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 40th anniversary of Genentech in South San Francisco—also known as the birthplace of biotechnology. Forty years ago, on April 7, 1976, Herb Boyer and Bob Swanson decided to start the first biotech company, Genentech, and sparked an industry that continues to push the boundaries of science today.

What began as a conversation over a couple of beers at a Union Street watering hole has evolved into an industry that has helped billions of people, and has ushered in new frontiers of research—such as personalized healthcare and cancer immunotherapy—that have fundamentally changed the way certain serious diseases are treated.

During the past six years alone, Genentech has brought to market nine new treatments for patients who needed them. These include the first FDA-approved medicine for people with advanced forms of B-Cell Carcinoma, the most common skin cancer, the first biologic for cystic fibrosis, the first personalized medicine that treats women with HER2+ breast cancer, and the first drug to be approved using FDA's breakthrough therapy designation—a treatment for Chronic Lymphocytic Lymphoma (CLL).

And like all of biotech, Genentech has continued to evolve over the past 4 decades. They have invested in uncharted areas of science, expanded their manufacturing capabilities, grown into a global organization, and partnered with other companies and research institutions to find breakthrough treatments for people with serious diseases who need new and improved options.

Today, Genentech's founders' spirit of taking bold risks and celebrating both successes and failures continues to drive their daily work. This year, the company will celebrate its 40th anniversary with initiatives such as 40 Defining Moments—a storytelling project to reflect on the history of Genentech through articles, pictures, and videos. And in order to recognize the role nearby communities and science education have had in its success, Genentech will also commit \$1 million to STEM-focused non-profits that provide hands-on science education to underserved students in local communities.

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to recognize the hard work and dedication of Genentech and its employees. Genentech has always been a cutting edge company from research to workplace accommodations to creating one of the first on-site child care centers. I'm proud to represent a company that has so positively contributed to the health and wellness of our society, and to the world. I look forward to seeing what new breakthroughs the next 40 years will bring.

## HONORING MADELEINE MORLINO

**HON. THOMAS MacARTHUR**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 12, 2016*

Mr. MACARTHUR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Madeleine Morlino, of the Third Congressional District, on her recent acceptance into all four United States Service Academies, and to commend her for her community service and accomplishments.

Madeleine, who is a resident of Moorestown, has worked diligently to succeed academically while simultaneously engaging with her community. Madeleine maintains a 4.23 weighted grade-point average at Moorestown High School. She is an accomplished violinist, and plays for the Moorestown High School orchestra and for a local church ensemble. Additionally, she was honored with the Good Citizenship Award from the Union League of Philadelphia and volunteers for many different charitable causes and organizations.

Madeleine has a profound level of respect for our armed service men and women, and has become very involved in the veteran community. In the fall, she organized the Veterans Benefits and Job Expo at the Moorestown Community House, where national and local businesses met with veterans about meaningful employment. She also volunteers at the Disabled Veterans Physiotherapy Clinic in Philadelphia. Madeleine has worked extremely hard to follow her goal of serving the military in whatever capacity possible. She will be attending the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado after graduation.

Mr. Speaker, the people of New Jersey's Third Congressional District are tremendously honored to have Madeleine Morlino as a member of their community. Ms. Morlino has shown a desire to serve her nation and to give back to her community, and has worked continuously to do so at the best of her ability. I am honored to recognize her acceptance into all four United States Service Academies and to commend her for her outstanding service to her community and our veterans, before the United States House of Representatives.

## OUR UNCONSCIONABLE NATIONAL DEBT

**HON. MIKE COFFMAN**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 12, 2016*

Mr. COFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, on January 20, 2009, the day President Obama took office, the national debt was \$10,626,877,048,913.08.

Today, it is \$19,223,197,501,336.14. We've added \$8,596,320,452,423.06 to our debt in 6 years. This is over \$7.5 trillion in debt our nation, our economy, and our children could have avoided with a balanced budget amendment.

# KAZAKHSTAN'S COMMITMENT TO ENERGY DEVELOPMENT IN CENTRAL ASIA

## HON. DANA ROHRBACHER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 12, 2016*

Mr. ROHRBACHER. Mr. Speaker, on the eve of Kazakhstan's President Nursultan Nazarbayev's visit to Washington, DC to participate in the Nuclear Security Summit, we see that the basics of water and energy in Central Asia need attention.

In order to obtain electric power for the industrial development, Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan for several years have been trying to build hydroelectric dams on their mountain rivers. Uzbekistan sees this as a threat to their agriculture in the Fergana Valley and has made clear its adamant opposition. The only winners, if this conflict results, will be the armed extremist armies that will gather new supporters on every side of the battle.

Nuclear energy is a safe, sustainable, and affordable energy source. Kazakhstan, together with the International Atomic Energy Agency and other outside partners, established the world's first Low-Enriched Uranium (LEU) Fuel Bank. This Fuel Bank, which Kazakhstan has committed to support through facilities and resources as the host nation, provides a secondary market for LEU to guarantee that all nations have an energy source for peaceful civilian nuclear power. Affordable energy remains a prerequisite for modernization of the economies of the countries of Central Asia. More importantly, radical groups will have less impact on the region since the threat of a water crisis is not a major concern.

Kazakhstan is a suitable location for the international energy center. President Nursultan Nazarbayev is a proven leader having the respect of all of Kazakhstan's neighbors. The southernmost region of Kazakhstan is close to Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan. Additionally, Kazakhstan is not involved in water disputes; therefore, it can guarantee the supply of electricity to all the countries. The absence of conflicts with the neighbors and international authority of Kazakhstan make it an ideal electric energy hub for the region.

Kazakhstan has a great opportunity to take a lead in transforming the whole Central Asian region into a more stable and prosperous place. I applaud President Nazarbayev and the Kazakh people for their continued commitment to civilian nuclear energy and Central Asia's development.

## HONORING GENERAL MARC A. CISNEROS

## HON. BLAKE FARENTHOLD

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 12, 2016*

Mr. FARENTHOLD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor General Marc Anthony Cisneros, who recently received the Daughters of the American Revolution Medal of Honor.

The Daughters of the American Revolution is a volunteer organization whose members donate their time and energy toward pre-

serving American history, funding scholarship programs, and honoring great Americans like General Cisneros who have dedicated their lives in outstanding service to the United States of America.

General Cisneros led an illustrious career in the U.S. military from 1961 until 1996. He is most remembered for his role as a commander of the U.S. Army South in the 1989 Panama invasion, where he led the effort to depose General Manuel Noriega. It was his leadership that minimized casualties while achieving a total victory in the war.

I join the Daughters of the American Revolution in thanking General Cisneros for his service.

## HONORING THE MARINE MAMMAL CENTER

## HON. JARED HUFFMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 12, 2016*

Mr. HUFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Marine Mammal Center in honor of its 40th anniversary. Located in Sausalito, California, the center seeks to expand knowledge of marine mammals and to inspire conservation efforts in the Bay Area and beyond.

Founded in 1975, the Marine Mammal Center works to advance the lives of ocean mammals and their habitats through rescue operations, rehabilitation, scientific research, and education. They have rescued and treated more than 20,000 animals over the past four decades, providing care across more than 600 miles of California coast. Additionally, their education programs engage approximately 50,000 children and adults each year through field trips, teacher training, and volunteer opportunities.

Along with providing direct care to individual animals, the Marine Mammal Center remains committed to protecting our water environments. Their ongoing awareness campaigns—from encouraging people to eat sustainable seafood to educating on the harmful effects of trash in our oceans—have made a lasting impact, and their scientific research has helped shed light on factors that impact the health of marine mammals, including the harmful effects of climate change.

The Marine Mammal Center has been a force of nature in ocean protection efforts, not just in Marin County and the California Coast but around the world. Their small but mighty staff oversees more than 1,100 volunteers, and their researchers have contributed to hundreds of publications over the years. Mr. Speaker, it is fitting to honor and thank the Marine Mammal Center on their 40th Anniversary for their unyielding commitment to our oceans and the creatures that call it home.

## PORTION OF HIGHWAY 18 RENAMED TO HONOR MILITARY VETERANS

## HON. PAUL COOK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 12, 2016*

Mr. COOK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of an important ceremony that took

place in my district on Friday, April 8, 2016. A stretch of State Highway 18 located in the San Bernardino mountains was dedicated as the "Rim of the World Veterans Memorial Highway." I want to thank California State Assemblyman Jay Obernolte for authoring Assembly Concurrent Resolution 21, which was the legislation that was passed by the California State Assembly to rename Highway 18.

More importantly, though, I would like to commend the members of American Legion Post 360 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9624 for their tireless efforts to make this dedication come to fruition. Renaming Highway 18 to honor the sacrifices of the men and women who served in our Armed Forces exemplifies the respect that residents in the mountain communities of San Bernardino County have for our veterans.

I look forward to seeing the new signage on my next trip to the mountains. Thank you to everyone who was involved in making this special day possible but, most importantly, thank you to the veterans who've made America the greatest nation on earth.

## ROCHESTER INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY'S GRAVITATIONAL WAVE DISCOVERY

## HON. LOUISE McINTOSH SLAUGHTER

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 12, 2016*

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, two weeks ago, our understanding of the universe leapt forward when gravitational waves were first detected. I rise today to recognize that achievement and honor six researchers from the Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT) who were part of one of the most significant scientific discoveries in a century.

While hundreds of scientists worked together to make this discovery, I am especially proud of the researchers from RIT—James Healy, Jacob Lange, Carlos Lousto, Richard O'Shaughnessy, John Whelan, and Yuanhao Zhang. All of these researchers are members of RIT's Center for Computational Relativity and Gravitation, which is led by Manuela Campanelli. Her team was one of the first groups to initially solve Albert Einstein's strong field equations describing black hole mergers. Because of this legacy, it is fitting that the recent discovery helps further confirm Einstein's general theory of relativity.

As the only microbiologist in Congress, I know that every scientist hopes to have their predictions verified by direct observation. I also know that this is relatively rare, so I stand in awe of this RIT team that accurately modeled the merger of two black holes and predicted the gravitational waves that were detected. This monumental achievement marks yet another chapter in Rochester's rich history as a center of scientific innovation and discovery.

Rochester has helped pioneer important research and develop innovative products such as the Kodak Brownie camera, the Norden bombsight, and myriad high-powered lasers. Established in 1829, RIT has not only played a critical role in Rochester's past, it continues to ensure that Rochester remains a global center of excellence. RIT makes invaluable